Amendment No. 1 to SB0675

Kelsey Signature of Sponsor

AMEND Senate Bill No. 675

House Bill No. 531*

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-6-102(1), is amended by designating the current language as subdivision (A) and by adding the following as a new subdivision (B):

(B) "Abuse or neglect" includes a caretaker who knowingly abandons, leaves, or fails to provide transportation for an adult if the caretaker knows or should know that the adult is unable to protect or care for him or herself without assistance or supervision and the caretaker's conduct causes any of the results listed in subdivision (A) or creates a substantial risk of such results.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-6-102(5)(A), is amended by deleting the subdivision in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(A) "Caretaker" means an individual or institution who has a duty to provide for the care of the adult and includes a relative, who knows or reasonably should know of the adult's mental or physical dysfunctioning or advanced age and knows or reasonably should know that the adult is unable to adequately provide for the adult's own care. Caretaker shall also mean an individual or institution who has assumed the duty to provide for the care of the adult by contract or agreement.

SECTION 3. This act shall be known and may be cited as "Lynn's Law".

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013, the public welfare requiring it.